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**OPERATIONS** 

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1. THE EMBASSY HAS STILL NOT RECEIVED A FORMAL REPLY FROM LOT POLISH AIRLINES CONCERNING THE QUESTIONS RAISED IN REFTELS AS TO THE EXPERIENCE, IF ANY, OF POLISH AIRLINES WITH LEASING OR INTERCHANGING AIRCRAFT WITH FOREIGN COMPANIES. LOT OFFICIALS HAVE TENTATIVELY INDICATED, HOWEVER, THAT LOT HAS NOT IN THE PAST LEASED AIRCRAFT FOR REGULARLY SCHEDULED SERVICE. LOT OFFICIALS SAY THAT "SUB-CHARTER" ARRANGEMENTS ARE PROBABLY THE ONLY INSTANCES OF INTERCHANGES OF AIRCRAFT WITH OTHER LINES. "SUB-CHARTER" ARRANGEMENTS IN THIS SENSE REFERS TO THOSE OCCASIONS IN WHICH THIRD COUNTRY AIRLINES HAVE CONTRACTED TO SHIP FREIGHT FROM POLAND TO A COUNTRY IN WHICH THAT LINE DOES NOT HAVE SCHEDULED SERVICE. IN SUCH A CASE THE FREIGHT OR CHARTER CONTRACT IS SIGNED BY LOT, WHICH SUB-CONTRACTS TO THE THIRD COUNTRY CARRIER. THE EMBASSY HAS ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM LOT, IF AVAILABLE.

2. BOEING, MCDONNELL DOUGLAS, AND OTHER FIRMS HAVE DISCUSSED LEASING ARRANGEMENTS WITH LOT FOR MEDIUM RANGE OF POSSIBLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WIDE-BODY AIRCRAFT. SUCH ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE ATTRACTIVE TO THE

POLES SINCE THEY WOULD MINIMIZE THE IMMEDIATE BURDEN OF HARD-CURRENCY PAYMENTS FOR THE AIRCRAFT, BUT THE GOP HAS NOT TAKEN A DECISION AS TO WHETHER, OR HOW, PURCHASES OF PASSENGER AIRCRAFT FROM THE WEST MIGHT TAKE PLACE.

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